Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): <u>A device Device</u> for monitoring a conveyor (1), comprising:

- a conveyor belt (2) made of elastomer material, having a carrying side (3) for the goods to be conveyed, and a running side (4), whereby wherein the conveyor belt has; in particular, an embedded strength support;
- least one of the carrying side (3) and/or and the running side (4), particularly the carrying side, in that it said optoelectronic system recognizing recognizes damage during operation, and if a critical state of the conveyor belt is reached, triggers triggering at least one alarm selected from the group consisting of an acoustical alarm and/or and an optical alarm (11) and/or, in particular, brings about an automatic shut-down of the system;

- a process computer (6), which is coupled with the optoelectronic system (5), for the purpose of evaluating all of the data, whereby wherein the process computer is connected with at least one of the at least one alarm (11) and/or and a drive control (12); as well as and
- other system parts; namely selected from the group

 consisting of contact drums—(8), support rollers—(9),

 and support scaffolding, as well as any other components

 that might be necessary;

wherein the device is additionally equipped with at least one structure-borne noise sensor (10), anchored in a bore of at least one of the contact drum and the support rollers, with a non-positive lock, that said at least one structure-borne noise sensor detecting detects deviations from the a reference frequency, whereby wherein a the process computer (6) that is connected with the structure-borne noise sensor, evaluates the a change in frequency, specifically with simultaneous balancing with the using reports from the optoelectronic system (5), so that even in a case where the optoelectronic system itself does not report a critical state, and triggers at least one of the at least one alarm an acoustical and/or optical alarm and/or in particular, and an automatic shut-down of the conveyor is brought about even when the

optoelectronic system does not report a critical state, in that the process computer responsible for the structure-borne noise sensor is also connected with an alarm (11) and/or the drive control (12).

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): <u>The device</u> Device according to claim 1, wherein the structure-borne noise sensor (10) is disposed in the a vicinity of the optoelectronic system (5).

Claim 3 (Canceled).

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): The device Device according to claim 3 1, wherein the bore is disposed within the a center point of at least one of the contact drum (8) and/or and the support rollers (9).

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): The device Device according claim 3 1, wherein the structure-borne noise sensor (10) is anchored in a bore of at least one of a reversing drum (8) and/or and a deflection drum.

Claims 6-7 (Canceled).

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): Device The device according to claim 1, wherein the process computer for the optoelectronic system

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(5) and the process computer for the structure-borne noise sensor (10) is a process computer unit (6).

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): Device The device according to claim 1, wherein the at least one alarm for the optoelectronic system (5) and the alarm for the structure-borne noise sensor (10) is an alarm unit (11).

Claim 10 (New): A device for monitoring a conveyor, comprising:

- a conveyor belt made of elastomer material, having a carrying side for the goods to be conveyed, and a running side, wherein the conveyor belt has an embedded strength support;
- an optoelectronic system that optically detects at least one of the carrying side and the running side, said optoelectronic system recognizing damage during operation, and if a critical state of the conveyor belt is reached, triggering at least one alarm selected from the group consisting of an acoustical alarm and an optical alarm;
- a process computer coupled with the optoelectronic system for evaluating all data, wherein the process

computer is connected with at least one of the at least one alarm and a drive control; and

other system parts selected from the group consisting of contact drums, support rollers, and support scaffolding;

wherein the device is additionally equipped with at least one structure-borne noise sensor comprising piezoceramic and detecting deviations from a reference frequency, wherein the process computer is connected with the structure-borne noise sensor, evaluates a change in frequency using reports from the optoelectronic system, and triggers at least one of the at least one alarm and an automatic shut-down of the conveyor even when the optoelectronic system does not report a critical state.

Claim 11 (New): A device for monitoring a conveyor, comprising:

- a conveyor belt made of elastomer material, having a carrying side for the goods to be conveyed, and a running side, wherein the conveyor belt has an embedded strength support;

- an optoelectronic system that optically detects at
 least one of the carrying side and the running side,
 said optoelectronic system recognizing damage during
 operation, and if a critical state of the conveyor belt
 is reached, triggering at least one alarm selected from
 the group consisting of an acoustical alarm and an
 optical alarm;
- a process computer coupled with the optoelectronic system for evaluating all data, wherein the process computer is connected with at least one of the at least one alarm and a drive control; and
- other system parts selected from the group consisting of contact drums, support rollers, and support scaffolding;

wherein the device is additionally equipped with at least one structure-borne noise sensor configured in multiple layers and detecting deviations from a reference frequency, wherein the process computer is connected with the structure-borne noise sensor, evaluates a change in frequency using reports from the optoelectronic system, and triggers at least one of the at least

one alarm and an automatic shut-down of the conveyor even when the optoelectronic system does not report a critical state.